

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

AARON THOMPSON,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 25-33-TL

**DETENTION ORDER**

The Court has conducted a detention hearing under 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and concludes there are no conditions which the defendant can meet which would reasonably assure the defendant's appearance as required or the safety of any other person and the community.

**FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION**

Defendant is charged with conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute a controlled substance and possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. The Court finds Defendant has failed to overcome the rebuttal presumption that he is both a risk of flight and a danger to the community.

Defendant has criminal history going back to 2003 when he was convicted of criminal possession of a firearm and burglary in the second degree and sentenced to prison. In 2005 he was convicted of Assault in the Second Degree; in 2007 he was convicted of Burglary in the Second Degree and in 2010 he was convicted of a drug offense. His most recent criminal matter

1 occurred in 2016 for driving under the influence. Although years have passed since Defendant's  
2 last criminal matter, the present allegations show he has continued to engage in serious criminal  
3 activity. The government alleges Defendant traveled from Texas to this District in relation to  
4 drug trafficking activity. The drug activity resulted in the shooting death of person. After the  
5 shooting death, Defendant and his codefendants left the state. Defendant eventually was arrested  
6 in the Southern District of Texas on a warrant issued in this case and transported by the US  
7 Marshal to this district. Defendant contends he should be released because he has strong ties to  
8 Texas where his wife and children. The finds on balance however that those ties are insufficient  
9 to support release in this case.

10 It is therefore **ORDERED**:

11 (1) Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the  
12 Attorney General for confinement in a correctional facility separate, to the extent practicable,  
13 from persons awaiting or serving sentences, or being held in custody pending appeal;

14 (2) Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with  
15 counsel;

16 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the  
17 Government, the person in charge of the correctional facility in which Defendant is confined  
18 shall deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in  
19 connection with a court proceeding; and

20 (4) The Clerk shall provide copies of this order to all counsel, the United States  
21 Marshal, and to the United States Probation and Pretrial Services Officer.

22 DATED this 23rd day of April, 2025.

23 

BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA  
United States Magistrate Judge

e